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TO AMCONSUL KARACHI IMMEDIATE

INFO AMEMBASSY ISLAMABAD

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SUBJECT: VISIT TO U.S. BY GOP TRADING EXECUTIVES

REF: KARACHI 1691

1. USDOC HAS SENT INFO REQUESTED PARA 5 REFTEL BY IMMEDIATE SEPTEL.

2. AS BACKGROUND ON STEEL SCRAP REQUEST, FOLLOWING INFO MAY BE OF USE IN CONVERSATION WITH ASGHAR: PAK EMBASSY APPROACHED DEPARTMENT AUGUST 8 WITH URGENT REQUEST FOR THIRD-QUARTER CONTINGENCY ALLOCATION SUFFICIENT TO ALLOW AT LEAST 16,000-TON SHIPMENT (I.E., BASIC THIRD QUARTER QUOTA OF 4,340 TONS, PLUS ALREADY APPROVED SECOND-QUARTER CONTINGENCY OF 6,000, PLUS HOPED-FOR 6,000 AS THIRD-QUARTER CONTINGENCY ALLOCATION). SINCE PAK EMBASSY HAD NOT PREVIOUSLY JUSTIFIED ANY ADDITIONAL ALLOCATION, PAKISTAN WAS NOT INCLUDED IN OVERALL THIRD-QUARTER CONTINGENCY

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PACKAGE NOW IN FINAL STAGES OF INTRA-USG APPROVAL. GIVEN

STRONG GOP PLEA, WE HAVE FORMULATED SPECIAL REQUEST FOR 6,000 TONS FROM REMAINING CONTINGENCY RESERVE (LAINGEN-KATZ MEMO OF AUGUST 9, PREVIOUSLY COPIES TO ISLAMABAD AND KARACHI BY POUCH).

3. WHILE ASGHAR AND KHAN ARE WELCOME TO VISIT, USDOC DID NOT RPT NOT REQUEST THEM TO COME TO WASHINGTON IN SCRAP QUESTION OR ANY OTHER MATTER. IN FACT, VISIT PLANS WERE UNKNOWN AT COMMERCE UNTIL RECEIPT OF REFTTEL. PAK EMBASSY HAS CONFIRMED PLANS, HOWEVER, STATING THAT IT HAD REQUESTED VISIT IN ORDER TO HAVE EXPERTS AVAILABLE TO BACK UP REQUEST ON CONTINGENCY ALLOCATION, AND ALSO TO FIRM UP ARRANGEMENTS FOR SHIPPING PENDING 10,340 TONS WHICH MUST BE EXPORTED PRIOR TO SEPTEMBER 25 (I.E., 90 DAYS FOLLOWING ISSUE OF EXPORT LICENSE FOR SECOND-QUARTER CONTINGENCY). SINCE SPECIAL CONTINGENCY REQUEST ALREADY IN PROCESS, BELIEVE VISIT WOULD ACCOMPLISH LITTLE IN THIS REGARD; NONETHELESS, OTHER TASKS ARE APPARENTLY SUFFICIENT JUSTIFY TRIP IN GOP EYES. KISSINGER

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